

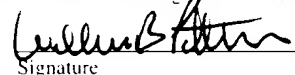
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Serial No.: 09/726,796	\$	
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Filed: November 30, 2000	\$	
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For: Apparatus for Preventing Erosion of	\$	
Wellbore Components and Method	\$	
Of Fabricating Same	\$	

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Applicant files this Response to a Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application. The notice (copy enclosed) indicates that the application was filed without a basic filing fee and a signed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney.

Also enclosed is an original Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney with the required signature, in response to the missing parts notice.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge a total of \$1038.00 as payment of the statutory basic filing fee and surcharge associated with this Communication and Response, any other fee necessary to make this submission timely or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-0782/WEAT/0072/WBP.

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION


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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$198.
 - \$198 for 11 total claims over 20.
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 1038.

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